

Addendum No.1, IFB 15-08



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
Department of Purchasing
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To: Prospective bidders IFB 15-08, Mystic Boathouse Floating Dock

From: Alex Nosnik, Assistant Director, Purchasing

Date: August 14, 2014

Re: Questions & Answers

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The City is issuing this addendum to IFB 15-08 Mystic Boathouse Floating Dock, to provide additional information:

****PLEASE BE SURE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THIS ADDENDUM BELOW ****

1. Reminder of Bid Due Date:

- Wednesday, 8/20/2014 at 11am

2. Questions and Answers:

Q. *Will you require the drawings be submitted for approval and stamped P.E. (Massachusetts)?*

A. Yes

Q. *Access to the rowing dock from the fixed pier/ boat ramp/ existing floating docks; would you kindly clarify what the plans would be on accessing the lower profile from the pier it would be attached (parallel) to? Would this be a portion of the project to be determined by the prime contractor?*

A. There would also need to be access stairs that should come with the dock plans. Yes, the bidder should make this decision or provide multiple options.

Q. *Being that the proposed new floating dock is going to primarily be utilized for rowing, we would like to propose the 6" freeboard floating dock (in order to clear the riggers on the boats). Would this work for your project?*

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A. After researching this –this seems too small for what we need. Also we do not want wood.

Q. Regarding Page 7, “This system should include a hinging element to allow the portion of the floating dock that is closest to the boat ramp to be swung away from the boat ramp, to prevent access to the docks when the area is not under supervision.” To clarify, just the portion of dock closest to the boat ramp is to be detachable from the rest of the system? We would propose a float to float hinge connection with removable pin for detachment. (I’ve attached a diagram for reference). Please advise if this is acceptable.

A. This is acceptable.

Q. Do you require an attachment be provided to connect the existing timber floating dock to the new floating rowing dock?

A. No.

Q. Method of attachment suggested in RFQ lists hoop brackets around 16” pilings. In the event of storm surge/ excessive rise in water level- this may prevent the dock from adequate vertical movement on the pilings if an obstruction (support beams, etc) under the pier prevents the dock from rising with the water levels. We would propose an alternative attachment solution to the pilings that would allow for any potential water level fluctuations without risk of damage to the dock, frame or pilings/ pier. Please see attached Piling Slide Assembly detail for reference. Kindly advise if this option would be an acceptable alternative to the piling hoop brackets.

A. This would be acceptable.

Q. Engineer’s Cost Estimate / Budget for the total project?

A. There is not currently a budget estimate for this project.

Q. On site assistance by experienced certified installers will be quoted for initial installation. To clarify, we would provide two certified individuals during the time of installation and City crew will be handling the majority of the labor for the install?

A. Yes this is correct. The vendor will just need to show us how to install it the first time around to provide instruction so that the City will be able to install and remove thereafter.

Q. To clarify, delivery of the materials is to be direct to the Mystic Boathouse site?

A. Yes.

Q. Will there be a designated contact available to accept delivery (crew to assist in unloading)?

A. Yes.

Q. Please advise if we would need to arrange for the installation supervisor to be on site for delivery as well.

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A. Yes. This would be best so that we know it is stored correctly before installation. Someone to instruct on installation when it goes in the water is required as well.

Please acknowledge receipt of this Addendum by signing below and including this form in your proposal package. Failure to do so may subject the proposer to disqualification.

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Name of Authorized Signatory

Title of Authorized Signatory